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SUBJECT:MODE - TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT/FEDERAL HIGHWAY  
POSITIONS IN WESTERN CANADA

1. THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT/FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINIS-  
TRATION (FHWA) PROPOSES TO ESTABLISH UP TO THREE US  
POSITIONS IN WESTERN CANADA TO OVERSEE RECONSTRUCTION OF  
THE ALASKAN HIGHWAY.

2. JUSTIFICATION SUPPLIED BY DOT CITED EXCHANGE OF NOTES  
BETWEEN EMBASSY AND GOVERNMENT OF CANADA IN JANUARY AND  
FEBRUARY 1977 AND POINTS OUT THAT SECTION 218 OF TITLE 23  
U.S.C. AUTHORIZES THE US SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION TO  
RECONSTRUCT THE ALASKA HIGHWAY FROM THE ALASKA BORDER TO  
HAINES JUNCTION IN CANADA, AND THE HAINES CUTOFF HIGHWAY  
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FROM HAINES JUNCTION TO THE SOUTH ALASKA BORDER. EFFECTIVE  
DISCHARGE OF THIS RESPONSIBILITY REQUIRES THE STATIONING  
OF RESIDENT FHWA PERSONNEL IN THE VICINITY OF RECONSTRUC-  
TION. FHWA PROPOSES TO STATION PERSONNEL (HIGHWAY  
ENGINEERS) IN CANADA DURING THE RECONSTRUCTION. THE INITIAL  
REPRESENTATIVE WOULD REPORT TO VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA,  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES, UP TO A

TOTAL OF THREE, WOULD BE ASSIGNED LATER AS NEEDED. THE

SPECIFIC PLACE OF RESIDENCE HAS NOT BEEN FINALLY DETERMINED; HOWEVER CURRENT EXPECTATION IS THAT THEY WOULD BE STATIONED AT WHITEHORSE IN YUKON PROVINCE. FHWA PROJECTS THAT PERSONNEL COULD BE IN CANADA UP TO 12 YEARS.

3. ASSISTANCE BY US MISSION TO FHWA EMPLOYEES WOULD BE LIMITED TO THE FACILITATION OF FREE ENTRY OF INITIAL SHIPMENT OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS AND PERSONALLY OWNED VEHICLE, SECURING OF MULTIPLE ENTRY OFFICIAL VISA, AND SECURING OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IDENTIFICATION CARD. BECAUSE OF LIMITED NATURE OF SERVICES RENDERED, FHWA ANTICIPATES THERE WOULD BE NO ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CHARGE INVOLVED.

4. COMMENTS OF COM ARE REQUESTED. DOT/FHWA WILL ELIMINATE THREE MODE POSITIONS ELSEWHERE TO ACCOMMODATE THIS REQUIREMENT, APPROVAL OF WHICH WOULD BRING AUTHORIZED DOT MODE LEVEL IN CANADA TO THREE US. VANCE

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